November 3, 2003

The Honorable Natalie Johnson Lee, Chair Health and Human Services Committee Room 307 City Hall Minneapolis MN 55415

RE: Appointment of Civilian Police Review Authority Board

Dear Council Member Johnson Lee:

The purpose of the Minneapolis Civilian Police Review Authority is to provide fair and impartial investigation of citizen complaints of misconduct on the part of Minneapolis police officers.

The Minneapolis Civilian Police Review Authority Board has seven members. At this time, three positions are vacant. Two positions are City Council appointments and one position is appointed by the Mayor, with approval of the majority of the City Council. Members serve a four-year term.

Members must be residents of the city. Residents currently or previously employed by the Minneapolis Police Department are ineligible to serve as members of the Authority.

A public hearing before the Health and Human Services Committee is required of all appointments.

Attached are copies of the twenty-three (23) applications received for consideration for appointment to the Minneapolis Civilian Police Review Authority. Upon Council review and selection of candidates for appointment to the Minneapolis Civilian Police Review Authority, a public hearing is requested to consider appointment of all three board members.

Very truly yours,

Barbara Damchik-Dykes Manager

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